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REMARKS

25X1 1. The following railroad lines which had been closed were reopened on 8 October 1950:

- Bad Freienwalde - Oderberg/Bralitz *
- Bad Freienwalde - Hohenwutzen **

2. The Bahnmeisterei (track maintenance station) in Bad Freienwalde is charged with the maintenance of these lines.

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Comment. The southern section of the single-track Bad Freienwalde - Angermuende line is concerned. Previously, only the Angermuende - Saaten/Neuendorf section of this line had been in operation. Only after completion of a 60-meter bridge across a branch of the Oder River north of Cierberg/Bralitz will it be possible to operate the two line sections mentioned as one continuous line. The bridge has been under construction for some time.

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The entire line would be of importance as a cross connection between the Scheune-Stettin and Kuestrin-Kietz, and Frankfurt/Oder border crossing points, respectively.

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Comment. The line concerned is a single-track branch line leading to Zehden on the eastern side of the Oder River. The line had not been dismantled but was closed. The Oder bridge near Hohenwutzen is demolished and its reconstruction is not anticipated in the foreseeable future.

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The line section reopened is of only local importance. In the Soviet Zone 1950/1951 railroad guide both line sections are entered as not in operation.

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